

SEC. 5. That any company, corporation or person floating logs or timbers in said streams by the aid of splash-dams or otherwise, shall be liable for all damages that may occur to farmers, mills, public bridges or public roads on said streams. Liability of owners of dams.

SEC. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this 13th day of February, A. D., 1895.

CHAPTER 27.

An act to authorize and empower the county of Mitchell to fund, compromise and settle its debts.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of commissioners or trustees of Mitchell county be and hereby are authorized and empowered to borrow the sum of two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500) at a rate of interest not to exceed six per centum per annum for a term not to exceed two years, and to execute the proper obligation of the county therefor. Commissioners of Mitchell county empowered to borrow money.

SEC. 2. That the said board of commissioners or trustees, as the case may be, of Mitchell county may advertise for sixty days, notifying all creditors of said county who are willing to accept fifty per centum of their claim in full and entire satisfaction of said claim may present the same to the said board, whose duty shall be thereupon to issue to such claimant, if the claim is just and correct, an order on the treasurer of said county for the payment of a sum equal to fifty per centum of said claim, which amount said treasurer shall pay out of the two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500) so borrowed by the said board, unless a special tax shall have been levied and collected for this purpose. Commissioners authorized to compromise claims.

SEC. 3. That the sum paid to the claimants under the provisions of this act shall operate as a full discharge of the obligation of said county on said claim so compromised, both in law and equity. Compromise to be a full discharge.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in full force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 13th day of February, A. D. 1895.